

## MAYOR JERRY SANDERS PRESS RELEASE

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## SANDERS APPOINTS MICHAEL C. SMILEY TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND MARK K. DILLON TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

**SAN DIEGO** – Mayor Jerry Sanders has nominated Mike Smiley for appointment to the City of San Diego Planning Commission and Mark K. Dillon for appointment to the Human Relations Commission, subject to City Council confirmation.

Since 1989, Mr. Smiley has been a Senior Documentation Analyst and consultant for Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC). Mr. Smiley has demonstrated his commitment to the community planning process through his years of volunteer service on the San Diego Community Planners Committee and the Tierrasanta Community Planning Committee.

Prior to working at SAIC, Mr. Smiley served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years. In that period, Mr. Smiley received various military decorations and distinguished service awards.

Mr. Smiley was a graduate of the Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island and holds a Bachelors degree in Journalism from Southern Illinois University.

Mr. Smiley's past civic commitments include serving on the San Diego Police Department Citizens Advisory Board, the Naval Training Center Reuse Task Force, Tierrasanta Recreation Council and the Tierrasanta Community Council. He is currently a member of the Navy League of the United States and the U.S. Golf Association. A native of Collinsville, Illinois, Mr. Smiley has lived in San Diego resided in the community of Tierrasanta since 1975.

Mr. Dillon is a technology executive and presently serves as the Senior Manager for Business and Product Development for Verizon Online. In this role he has expanded Verizon's footprint into online gaming and establishing Verizon as a major player in the online gaming environment. Previously he served as the Director for the Content and Creative Services Group for Verizon Online, a creative services and development team serving Verizon Online's

Marketing and other Verizon business units and as Vice-president of GTE Interactive Media On-line Services.

Prior to that he served as the Vice President of Technical/Creative Services for Philips Interactive Media and Vice President and Founder of Interac Corporation a start-up systems integration company and worked as a television and film director including writer-director of film documentaries, television news programs and commercials.

Mr. Dillon has held several professional associations and civic commitments including membership in the Directors Guild of America, the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers (SMPTE) and presently serves as the Chairman of the Civil Rights Committee for the San Diego Chapter of the Anti-Defamation League.

Mr. Dillon will replace Julia Legaspi, who does not wish to seek reappointment, for a term ending July 22, 2010.